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REMARKS

Claims 1 to 9 are in the application. Pursuant to the Office Action of November 24, 2003

in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213, the application

is hereby amended to adopt the amendment to claim 1 as proposed in the Office Action and to revise

Figs 7 and 8 of the drawings to the extent of adding dot-dash lines to Figs 7 and 8 in order to

succinctly define the location of the integrally formed "peripheral projecting portion" 27 as described

in the specification.

With these amendments to the application it is submitted that the formal matters referred to

in the Office Action have been addressed and the application is accordingly in condition for

allowance.

If, for any reason, it is felt that this application is not now in condition for allowance, the

Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number

indicated below to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an

appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fees for such an extension of time and any other

fees which may be due with respect to this paper, to Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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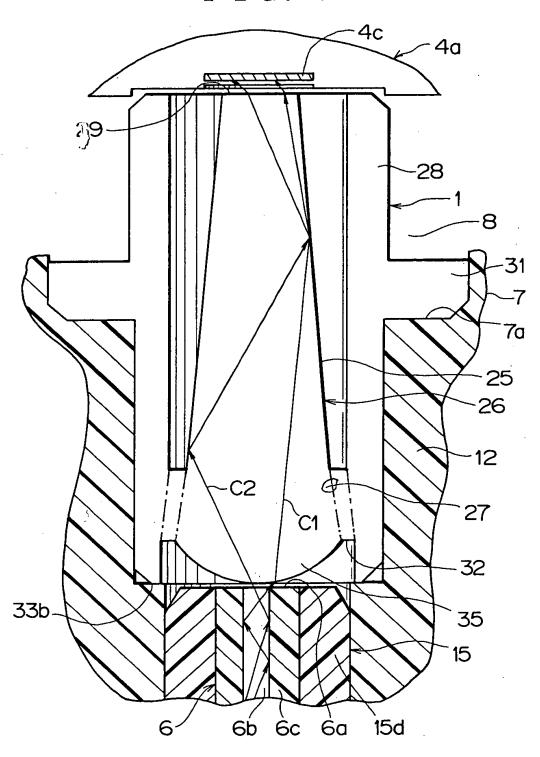
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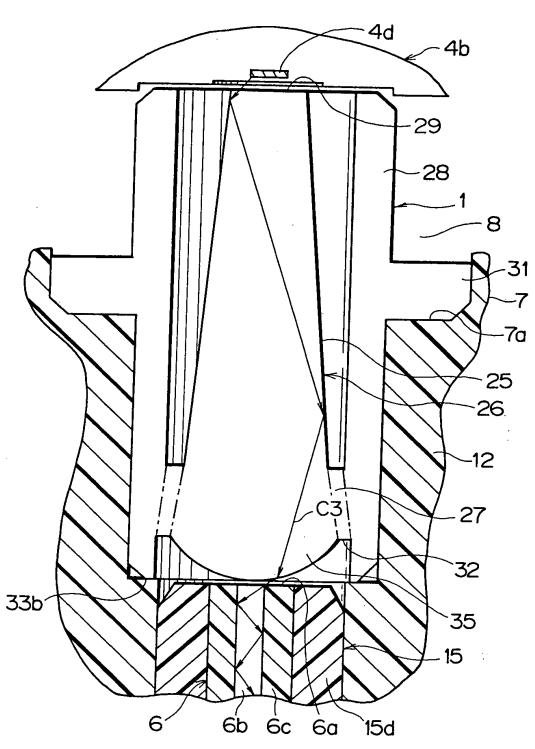


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